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To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and the Public Health Service Act to improve the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of heart disease, stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases in women.

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A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Heart Disease Education, Analysis Research, and Treatment for Women Act” or the “HEART for Women Act”.

SEC. 2. REPORTING OF DATA IN APPLICATIONS FOR DRUGS, BIOLOGICS, AND DEVICES.

(a) DRUGS.—

(1) NEW DRUG APPLICATIONS.—Section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355(b)) is amended—

(A) in paragraph (1), in the second sentence—

(i) by striking “drug, and (G)” and inserting “drug; (G)”; and

(ii) by inserting before the period the following: “; and (H) the information required under paragraph (7)”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(7)(A) With respect to clinical data in an application
2 under this subsection, the Secretary may deny such an ap-
3 plication if the application fails to meet the requirements
4 of sections 314.50(d)(5)(v) and 314.50(d)(5)(vi)(a) of title
5 21, Code of Federal Regulations.

6 “(B) The Secretary shall modify the sections referred
7 to in subparagraph (A) to require that an application
8 under this subsection include any clinical data possessed
9 by the applicant that relates to the safety or effectiveness
10 of the drug involved by gender, age, and racial subgroup.

11 “(C) Promptly after approving an application under
12 this subsection, the Secretary shall, through an Internet
13 site of the Department of Health and Human Services,
14 make available to the public the information submitted to
15 the Secretary pursuant to subparagraphs (A) and (B),
16 subject to sections 301(j) and 520(h)(4) of this Act, sub-
17 section (b)(4) of section 552 of title 5, United States Code
18 (commonly referred to as the ‘Freedom of Information
19 Act’), and other provisions of law that relate to trade se-
20 crets or confidential commercial information.

21 “(D) The Secretary shall develop guidance for staff
22 of the Food and Drug Administration to ensure that appli-
23 cations under this subsection are adequately reviewed to
24 determine whether the applications include the informa-
25 tion required pursuant to subparagraphs (A) and (B).”.

1 (2) INVESTIGATIONAL NEW DRUG APPLICA-
2 TIONS.—Section 505(i) of the Federal Food, Drug,
3 and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355(i)) is amended—

4 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “Subject
5 to paragraph (3),” and inserting “Subject to
6 paragraphs (3) and (5),”; and

7 (B) by adding at the end the following:

8 “(5)(A) The Secretary may place a clinical hold (as
9 described in paragraph (3)) on an investigation if the
10 sponsor of the investigation fails to meet the requirements
11 of section 312.33(a) of title 21, Code of Federal Regula-
12 tions.

13 “(B) The Secretary shall modify the section referred
14 to in subparagraph (A) to require that reports under such
15 section include any clinical data possessed by the sponsor
16 of the investigation that relates to the safety or effective-
17 ness of the drug involved by gender, age, and racial sub-
18 group.”.

19 (b) BIOLOGICS LICENSE APPLICATIONS.—Section
20 351 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262) is
21 amended by adding at the end the following:

22 “(k) The provisions of section 505(b)(7) of the Fed-
23 eral Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (relating to clinical
24 data submission) apply with respect to an application
25 under subsection (a) of this section to the same extent

1 and in the same manner as such provisions apply with re-
2 spect to an application under section 505(b) of such Act.”.

3 (c) DEVICES.—

4 (1) PREMARKET APPROVAL.—Section 515 of
5 the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21
6 U.S.C. 360e) is amended—

7 (A) in subsection (c)(1)—

8 (i) in subparagraph (G)—

9 (I) by moving the margin 2 ems
10 to the left; and

11 (II) by striking “and” after the
12 semicolon at the end;

13 (ii) by redesignating subparagraph
14 (H) as subparagraph (I); and

15 (iii) by inserting after subparagraph
16 (G) the following subparagraph:

17 “(H) the information required under subsection
18 (d)(7); and”; and

19 (B) in subsection (d), by adding at the end
20 the following paragraph:

21 “(7) To the extent consistent with the regulation of
22 devices, the provisions of section 505(b)(7) (relating to
23 clinical data submission) apply with respect to an applica-
24 tion for premarket approval of a device under subsection
25 (c) of this section to the same extent and in the same man-

ner as such provisions apply with respect to an application for premarket approval of a drug under section 505(b).”.

(2) INVESTIGATIONAL DEVICES.—Section 520(g)(2) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 360j(g)(2)) is amended by adding at the end the following subparagraph:

“(D) To the extent consistent with the regulation of devices, the provisions of section 505(i)(5) (relating to individual study information) apply with respect to an application for an exemption pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this paragraph to the same extent and in the same manner as such provisions apply with respect to an application for an exemption under section 505(i).”.

(d) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—This Act and the amendments made by this Act may not be construed—

(1) as establishing new requirements under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act relating to the design of clinical investigations that were not otherwise in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act; or

(2) as having any effect on the authority of the Secretary of Health and Human Services to enforce regulations under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act that are not expressly referenced in this Act or the amendments made by this Act.

1 (e) APPLICATION.—This section and the amendments
2 made by this section apply only with respect to applica-
3 tions received under section 505 or 515 of the Federal
4 Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355, 360e) or
5 section 351 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C.
6 262) on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

7 **SEC. 3. REPORTING AND ANALYSIS OF PATIENT SAFETY**
8 **DATA.**

9 (a) DATA STANDARDS.—Section 923(b) of the Public
10 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 299b–23(b)) is amended
11 by adding at the end the following: “The Secretary shall
12 provide that all nonidentifiable patient safety work prod-
13 uct reported to and among the network of patient safety
14 databases be stratified by sex.”.

15 (b) USE OF INFORMATION.—Section 923(c) of the
16 Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 299b–23(c)) is
17 amended by adding at the end the following: “Such anal-
18 yses take into account data that specifically relates to
19 women and any disparities between treatment and the
20 quality of care between males and females.”.

21 **SEC. 4. QUALITY OF CARE REPORTS BY THE AGENCY FOR**
22 **HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY.**

23 Section 903 of the Public Health Service Act (42
24 U.S.C. 299a–1) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (b)(1)(B), by inserting before
2 the semicolon the following: “, and including quality
3 of and access to care for women with heart disease,
4 stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases”; and

5 (2) in subsection (c), by adding at the end the
6 following:

7 “(4) ANNUAL REPORT ON WOMEN AND HEART
8 DISEASE.—Not later than September 30, 2011, and
9 annually thereafter, the Secretary, acting through
10 the Director, shall prepare and submit to Congress
11 a report concerning the findings related to the qual-
12 ity of and access to care for women with heart dis-
13 ease, stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases. The
14 report shall contain recommendations for eliminating
15 disparities in, and improving the treatment of, heart
16 disease, stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases in
17 women.”.

18 **SEC. 5. EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGNS.**

19 (a) DISTRIBUTION OF EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL.—
20 The Secretary of Health and Human Services (referred
21 to in this section as the “Secretary”) shall develop and
22 distribute to females who are age 65 or older, physicians,
23 and other appropriate healthcare professionals, edu-
24 cational materials relating to the prevention, diagnosis,
25 and treatment of heart disease, stroke, and cardiovascular

1 diseases in women. The Secretary may carry out this sub-
 2 section through contracts with public and private non-
 3 profit entities.

4 (b) HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATIONAL
 5 CAMPAIGN.—The Secretary, acting through the Bureau of
 6 Health Professions of the Health Resources and Services
 7 Administration, shall conduct an education and awareness
 8 campaign for physicians and other healthcare profes-
 9 sionals relating to the prevention, diagnosis, and treat-
 10 ment of heart disease, stroke, and other cardiovascular
 11 diseases in women. The Bureau of Health Professions may
 12 carry out this subsection through contracts with public
 13 and private nonprofit entities.

14 **SEC. 6. EXTENSION OF WISEWOMAN PROGRAM.**

15 Section 1509 of the Public Health Service Act (42
 16 U.S.C. 300n–4a) is amended—

17 (1) in subsection (a)—

18 (A) by striking the heading and inserting

19 “IN GENERAL.—”; and

20 (B) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),

21 by striking “may make grants” and all that fol-

22 lows through “purpose” and inserting the fol-

23 lowing: “may make grants to such States for

24 the purpose”; and

1 (2) in subsection (d)(1), by striking “there are
2 authorized” and all that follows through the period
3 and inserting “there are authorized to be appro-
4 priated \$70,000,000 for fiscal year 2010,
5 \$73,500,000 for fiscal year 2011, \$77,000,000 for
6 fiscal year 2012, \$81,000,000 for fiscal year 2013,
7 and \$85,000,000 for fiscal year 2014.”.

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